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An Act to amend An Act respecting the Buffalo and
Fort Erie Public Bridge Company.

AS PASSED BY THE SENATE, 2nd APRIL, 1957.



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1934, c. 63.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

1. Section 3 of An Act respecting the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Company is repealed and the following substituted therefor: 5

Appointment
of Canadian
members.

“**3.** The Governor in Council may appoint, to hold office during pleasure, five persons, being Canadian citizens resident in Canada, to be the members of the Bridge Authority that under the provisions of the Act of Incorporation 10 are to be appointed by Canada.”

2. Sections 9 and 10 of the said Act are repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Minister of
Finance
designated as
authority.

“**9.** Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the Minister of Finance, or a person designated by him, is the 15 authority or agency that under any provision of the Act of Incorporation is to be designated by Canada.

Termination
of rights,
powers, etc.

“**10.** On the later of the following days, namely,
(a) the 1st day of January, 1992, or
(b) the day that any bonds issued by the Bridge Author- 20
ity prior to the 1st day of January, 1992, are paid in full or are otherwise discharged,
the rights, powers and jurisdiction of the Bridge Authority under this Act are terminated, and the property acquired or held by it within Canada becomes the property of Her 25
Majesty in right of Canada, to be held, administered or disposed of as the Governor in Council may direct.”

EXPLANATORY NOTES

As a result of discussions between Canada and appropriate United States authorities, the State of New York is legislating to extend the life of the existing Bridge Authority for a specific number of years on a basis revised to make the basic character of the Authority accord with its international status and the joint interest of the two countries in its property. The purpose of this bill is to make appropriate amendments to the existing Canadian Act, which provides the Bridge Authority with its jurisdiction and authority within Canada, by making provision for the increased Canadian representation provided for in the new arrangement and for the continuation of the Authority for the agreed period of time.

1. The present section 3 reads as follows:

"3. The three members to be appointed by the Dominion of Canada, to the Board constituting the Bridge Authority, as provided in its Act of Incorporation, shall be British subjects and residents of the province of Ontario, and appointed by the Governor in Council to hold office during pleasure."

2. The present sections 9 and 10 read as follows:

"9. Wherever in the Act of Incorporation of the Bridge Authority provision is made for the designation of an authority by the Dominion of Canada, such authority shall, except as otherwise provided herein, be the Comptroller of the Treasury of the Department of Finance of Canada.

10. When all the bonds issued by the Bridge Authority shall have been paid in full, or shall have otherwise been discharged, the powers, jurisdiction and duties of the Bridge Authority shall cease and the property acquired and held by it within the Dominion of Canada shall become the property of His Majesty the King and shall be under such jurisdiction, authority or agency as the Governor in Council shall designate."

3. The said Act is further amended by adding thereto the following sections:

Money paid
to Canada.

"13. Any money payable to the Government of Canada under the Act of Incorporation shall be paid to the Minister of Finance and shall form part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund. 5

Reference to
"Act of
Incorporation".

"14. A reference in this Act to the Act of Incorporation shall be construed as a reference to the Act of Incorporation as amended from time to time."

Coming into
force.

4. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed 10 by proclamation of the Governor in Council.